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The Female Tatler.

Written by a Society of Ladies.

——*Medium tenuere Beati.*

From Monday November 7, to Wednesday November 9, 1709.

Arabella's Day.

NO Day was ever more agreeable to me than that Night in which *Crispus* and *Lucinda*, together with *Violante* and *Emilia* came to pay me a Visit; their Coach stopt at the Door as I was walking in a Garden, Scituate on the Brink of the *Thames*, which is so fine, that for Beauty and Verdure it may be compar'd with the most celebrated Walks in *Italy*. The Moon shin'd with a pleasing Reflection thro' the Trees, the Air was Serene and Calm, and the Flux and Bubling of the contiguous River, gave me a Charming, tho' a Melancholy Diversion. The Heavens was as kind and Indulgent as the Earth, the Stars and Planets glitter'd in their respective Stations, and with their Friendly Influence assisted the light given by the Moon, and made the Evening more agreeable. My Soul and Body were equally possest with so many charming Objects, and I insensibly fell to Contemplate those Heavenly Luminaries. I consider'd them as Bodies of infinite Splendor, and could not but wonder at their agreeing Harmony. The Sun I reflected assisted the Moon, the Moon did the same thing to the Stars, and the Earth was obliged to all those Celestial Beings. These Considerations Naturally led me to consider the vast Advantages of mutual Friendship; Friendship is that Fountain from whence a Thousand Sweets distill every hour, and which make the Sincere and Generous entirely happy. Love I consider'd as a Passion, tho' Natural, yet dangerous for Young Ladies to be acquainted with, when as the Amicable Resentments of Friendship inspired the Mind only with such Notions as Improve the Mind and inspire the Soul with Thoughts, truly great and generous, I was Entertaining my self with these amuzements, when I saw my Friends coming to me, they were told by my Footman, that I was in the Garden, and the agreeableness of the Evening induced them to follow me thither. As soon as the usual Civilities were over, *Emilia* demanded what could be the occasion I walk'd there alone; and whether Love had not made me seek out Retirement, which the Handsome and Sensible, are seldom very fond of. I reply'd, That I must acknowledge, I was in Love, tho' not in the way that *Emilia* intended; that my Soul was possest with very tender Sentiments, but that they all were turn'd to Friendship and not to Love, that I had considered the difference, and found the consequence of both far unlike the other; and that it seldom happens that any Lady feels the power of Love; but she looses in her Reputation or her Quiet; and is guilty of some Extravagancy or other; here *Emilia* would not permit me to proceed; but Frankly told me, she was surprized to hear me argue against a Passion, which all the World pay'd a Respect to, and to whose Power all living Creatures were at some time or other Obedient: A great Wit continued she has so well describ'd the Blessings that tatend on Love, that I'll fly to him, for assistance; and I don't doubt but his Lines will have the same Power over your Heart, as the Passions he describes has over all Mankind; his Words are these,

Love's the most gentle Passion of the mind,
The softest Refuge Innocence can find;
The sure director of unguided Youth,
Fraught with kind wishes, and secur'd by Truth:
The Cordial drop Heaven in our Cup has thrown,
To make the Nauseous draught of Life go down;
From hence alone indulgent Heaven might raise,
In Lands of Atheists Subsidies of Praise;
For none did ever yet so senceless prove,
But own'd a God, and felt his power in Love.

Here *Emilia* was Silent, when *Violante* taking up the Discourse, affirm'd, that I had a great deal of Justice on my side: She acknowledged, that the Earl who writ the preceeding Verses had given a most beautiful Idea of the force of Love; adding, that if *Ovid* had been alive, and write to please his *Corinna*, or the Imperial *Julia*, he could not have been the Author of Numbers more Amorous and Tender; but at the same time she very well observ'd, that Love could hardly be term'd with Justice a gentle Passion, since most of a Lovers Actions are hot, rash and uncountable; neither could Love be properly call'd a Refuge for Innocence, which too often gives Birth to the most incestuous Crimes and dismal Tragedies; for this Reason the God of Love she pursued was drawn like a thoughtless Infant, with his Eyes all muffled, to shew, that those who submit themselves Slaves to his Tyranny, see little into the World, and are not yet arrived to years of Discretion. She affirm'd, that *Priam* was out of his Senses, to let *Troy* be endanger'd for a Woman that had been once married and twice ravish'd, but that *Hector* was much more to Blame, who by endeavouring to maintain his Brother in the possession of another Man's Wife, made his own a Widow. She continued, that Love was only Self-Interest, and being grounded on the fading Beauties of the Face, bloom'd and wither'd with those short lived Flowers she persued, that Friendship only ought to be admitted to reign amongst the Ladies, it being observable, that no Person could be a good Friend without having good Morals, good Sense, and a Soul perfectly Generous: Friendship, added she, has nothing in it little or mean, it shews us once more the Golden Age, puts all our Persons and Fortunes upon a level, and is above the tenacious Dictates of Covetousness or Interest. Friends are always sincere Partners in Grief and Happiness, they augment each others Joys and

and ſhare their Sorrows by diverting them. *Petronius* was ſenſible of this Truth, and the diſtracted *Oreſtes*, met with Eaſe from his Friend; he calmed the Furies that diſturbed his Reaſon, and by ſoft Perſuaſions and powerful Arguments found a better Cure for the Madneſs of that Illuſtrious *Parracide*, than all the Herbs or Enchantments of the Beautiful *Circe* could ſupply him with: Love is but the reſult of Fancy, and the Child of Idleneſs; but Friendſhip is always the effect of Choice, and a ſerious Judgment, but then the knot is Eternal, and unalterable by Time or Accident. *Eurialus* durſt accompany his Friend in the moſt daring Enterprize, his Friendſhip was ſtronger than his Fear; and he thought it unworthy of their mutual Vows, not to have his part in that daring attempt; 'tis true, he fell, but he died not unworthy of the ſacred League he had enter'd into: nor did the Brave and Unfortunate *Niſus* fail to Revenge his Death. The vaſt ſlaughter he made of thoſe that kill'd his Friend, ſhewed his Honour, his Courage and his Friendſhip; and when he was weary of Conquering, and his loſs of Blood wou'd not permit him to Sacrifice any more to the Noble Youth, who lay extended at his Feet, he fell upon the Body, and even in the Pangs of Death Embracing the Bloody Corps, paid his laſt duties to his Friend. A thouſand inſtances might be given of the Illuſtrious Effects which Friendſhip has produc'd; but 'twould be too long to enumerate them: Nor do private Perſons and Families find their Intereſt only in the mutual bonds of Friendſhip; Kingdoms, States and Empires find their Account by the Sanctions of Friendly Conventions and Agreements. The united Powers have put a ſtop to Tyrannick Force, which attack'd by any ſingle Nation would have been invincible: Here I ſaw my Footman coming to tell the Company that Supper was ready, and I therefore deſired *Lucinda* to proceed no farther, telling her all that could be ſpoken upon this Subject was contain'd in a Fable of *Æſop*.

*† *If a Goldſmith near* Panton-ſtreet, *in the* Hay-Market, *has any Comical Deſigns towards a certain Lady in* Golden Square, *he is deſired to deſiſt; otherwiſe the* Tarr *may have a certain knowledge of the whole Affair; and he may be refer'd to the Honeſt good Natur'd Fools in* Wapping: *The Air of which makes ſome Young Women Pregnant Two or Three Months after Marriage, altho' they were as good Virgins at the time of Matrimony as ever was known betwixt the* Minories *and St.* James's.

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